

Walt Brown: The People v. Lee Harvey Oswald

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When Brown first mentioned having this manuscript and wanting a publisher he did not tell me it is a work of fiction. However, if he had, I'd still have referred ~~to~~ him <sup>to</sup> the Gallens, who arranged it.

I have no objections per se to fiction on the subject. And if I'd thought of it I'd probably have realized that his book would have to be fiction.

I also have no objections to his book. Although I'll not take the time to read it. Got a copy from Dick Gallen yesterday.

I've looked only at the dust jacket and the pages before Chapter One.

He has "I hereby appoint the Warren Commission." -Lyndon B. Johnson." Doubt LBJ said ~~this~~ *this - ever could have.*

The one book he singles out for comment and it is for praise (vi) in his sources and acknowledgements is Jimm Marrs' Crossfire as "an excellent narrative in which a reader can place trust." *His emphasis.*

A few quotations from his Prologua

"...some witnesses were too frightened to come forward..."xv

"Fortunately, the murder of Oswald prevented the legal technicality ~~xxx~~ of no Texas autopsy from becoming a matter of great public concern."xvii

"Yet within a few years of the event many - too many - key witnesses were dead and from odd causes." xx

"If nothing else, he was, ~~admittedly~~ as he admitted in captivity, a 'patsy.' If that's true, it means he allowed himself to be the patsy for those who pulled the triggers that day, and for that alone, no day in court will ever wash the remaining blood from his hands." ~~xxxx~~ <sup>xviii</sup> xviii-xix.

Brown was limited to the 26 volumes and books, apparently, for his sources.

To me these few excerpts are an adequate reflection of his knowledge of the subject matter, his thinking and his beliefs.

He goes for the nut stuff, too.